

REMARKS

Claims 16-20 are allowed. Prosecution on the merits has been closed.

The Examiner objects to the title and notes that Fig. 1 should be identified as prior art. By this amendment, a new title is submitted. Also, by this amendment, Fig. 1 is amended by adding thereto the legend, "Prior Art."

Accordingly, it is believed the Examiner's objections have been addressed and satisfied; and this application is in condition for allowance.

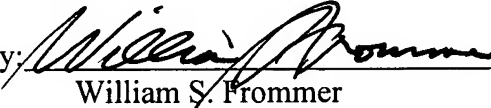
This is in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, as set out in the Office Action under reply.

To the extent the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance states, implies or is construed to mean that the claims are allowable over the prior art of record because the Examiner believes the claims should be interpreted to include one or more features or limitations not recited therein, Applicant's attorney disagrees with such an interpretation. Moreover, it is Applicants' contention that there is no particular limitation in the allowed claims that is more critical than any other. The issuance of the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be construed as a surrender by Applicants of any subject matter. It is the intent of Applicants, by their attorney, to construe the allowed claims so as to cover the invention disclosed in the instant application and all equivalents to which the claimed invention is entitled.

An early Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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